

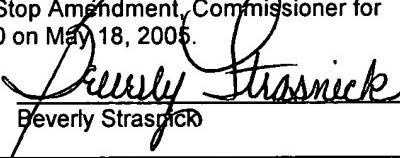
**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(a)**

Docket No. A0420/7017P1

Applicant: John C. Pulford and Marco Pelosi
Serial No: 10/828,538
Filed: April 20, 2004
For: ABDOMINAL RETRACTOR
Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
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This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above-identified application up to, and including, May 29, 2005.

Small Entity

Applicant claims small entity status

Extension

The requested extension and the appropriate fee are as follows:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | One month (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1)) | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Two months (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(2)) | \$450.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Three months (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3)) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Four months (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(4)) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Five months (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(5)) | |
| | Reduction by one-half for request by small entity | \$225.00 |
| | Total Fee: | <u>\$225.00</u> |

Payment

- A check in the amount of the extension fee is enclosed.
 The extension fee is included in a fee payment made in connection with papers accompanying this petition.

- Charge the extension fee to deposit account no. 02-3038. A duplicate of this sheet is attached.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 and §1.17 that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to deposit account no. 02-3038.

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